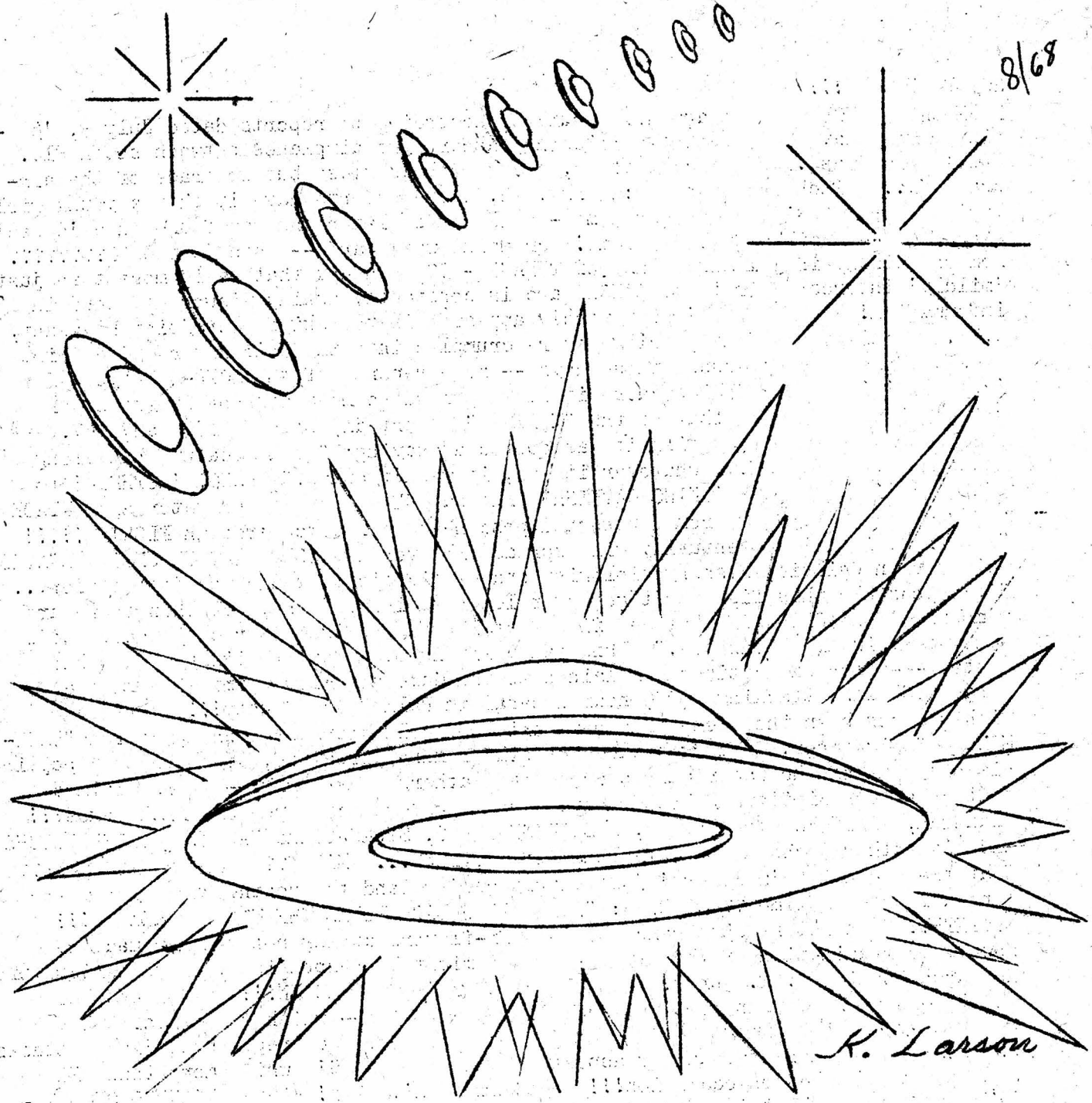


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SCOOP SNOOPS !!!

BURMUDA TRIANGLE active again?? Could be according to reports dated July 9, '68 - Six persons have been reported 'missing' aboard two airplanes between south Fla. and the Bahamas ... "Perfect weather, sea smooth as glass but no trace of the aircraft." ... Switch the scene to: Corry, Pa. where reports have it that a young girl vanished from a field near her home - a day or so later she was found in a 'dazed' condition -- 3 miles from her home! Screaming was heard -- then just GONE????????? Someone kindly inform ALAN BURKE of TVFAME - SCOOP hears that he is more than just 'mildly' interested in the TRIANGLE and is constantly asking viewers to send in information! ***** 12 UFO'S reportedly appeared in the skies over Point Pleasant, W.Va. the night the SILVER bridge there crumpled into the Ohio River ***** Point Pleasant is NOT so pleasant these days -- more reports of the MOTH-MAN type of 'creature' ! I said TYPE because it was reported to me that none of the newer descriptions were like that of the "MONSTER" reportedly seen in 1966 and '67. ***** One woman who reported seeing it was quoted as saying: " THE creature ran along Mason Blvd. about 1AM... whatever it was, it wasn't human." CHANGE 'MOTHMEN' to 'CATMEN' !!! Albina "WALKING CATFISH" that can CLIMB out of the water and ATTACK a dog -- or AMBLE away from a poisoned pond have been discovered in FLORIDA!!!! "I think this thing eventually will spread all over the SOUTHEASTERN UNITED STATES," said Vernon Ogilvie, fishery biologist and exotic fish research project leader... "It's possible this fish won't get over 16 or 18 inches long, BUT then there are members of the CLARIDAE that get five feet long and weigh 50 or 60 pounds. It's a monster, as all I can say." This dandy little item came to light at a public meeting--after one citizen complained to the Game and Fish Commission that a large FISH was attacking a DOG near a canal in Palm Beach County!!! ***** Lake Michigan has been the scene of a new series of well documented and pictured "LAKE-MONSTER" sightings. A long-necked and silver maned creature, seems to keep popping his head out of the water and observes the bathers! ***** AND -- it is claimed that creatures similar to NESSIE have been reported from three CANADIAN lakes!!! Okanagan, MANITOBA and WINIPEG, 2 SWEDISH LAKES, STORSJO and VANER, 5 IRISH LOUGHS and five other lochs in the highlands of SCOTLAND... MAYBE?? COULD BE POSSIBLE?? That the so-called 'monsters' just simply can't stand to breathe our AIR for too long a length of time??? WITNESS: "BAD CITY BREATH FOULS THE MILK" headline!!! QUOTETHE: "Consistent appearance of the off-flavors during hot weather made us suspect contamination of the air with OZONE might be responsible," says Agriculture Research Chemist F. E. Kurtz. OUR OLD BUGABOO 'OZONE' AGAIN!!! OZONE and BAD BREATH - shades of John Keel and recent SAGA article -- which was a real STINKER of a story - which brought to the much needed light of day reports of 'gas' attacks and some of the more nauseating aspects of the 'SMELLIES' which more than ONE SNOOPER has smelled on occasion!!! Good Smellin', John! ***** SPEAKING OF SOME-TIMES and ODIFEROUS things -- Maj. Quintanilla is NOW Lt. Col..... Must have been promoted for meritorious conduct above and beyond the call of DUTY ----- in the American theatre of operations - BRANCH - PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE!!!! ***** SCOOPSECRET: (to be used when writing the above personage!) Take about a teaspoon of household ammonia and put it in a small bottle and add a single drop of salad oil (Mazola, Wesson, etc.) and then using a common PEN, scribble a message on PLAIN paper with this mixture. SECRET?? The OIL waterproofs the paper ----- so that when you WET the paper, the message appears..... Just looks like a blank sheet of paper till you DUNK it! PS - don't tell 'him' this secret.....***** WHY?? Because BILLY GRAHAM says the world is coming to an end! He recently declared: " Everybody knows it. Everybody feels it! It's in the air!" -- Well, I guess that takes us right back to our collective 'bad-breath' UGH "That 'air' will get ya! SCOOPSUPERSECRET- So that they can spot SECRET SERVICE impersonators, agents periodically ROTATE their RED, SILVER and BLUE lapel pins with a different color facing down!!! NEVER say that SCOOP isn't educational!!!!

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EDITORIAL COMMENTS

I have now in front of me a clipping from the Daytona Beach, Fla. Evening News dated July 8, 1968. If what this clip contains is actual fact - then we are all in for a very rude awakening.

This data concerns nine red 'lights' that were chased for 40 minutes over the city of Seattle, and one private pilot who chased them and said "they were definitely aircraft." Thousands of callers swamped civilian and military telephones in the Puget Sound region. The glistening objects far outshone the stars. Observers said they were clearly visible from the ground, but the federal Air Route Control Center in suburban Auburn and local and military airfield towers could NOT spot them on radar. Rudy Malaspina, a pilot, was quoted as saying: "The last one didn't just dim out and fade away like turning out a light on a rheostat," ... "I was flying right below it and it simply accelerated vertically and flew out of sight." The pilot was directed by the Auburn Flight Center to descend to 5,000 ft. when he was about 40 miles from the field. The center then cleared him to drop to 2,200 ft. to pick up a guide marker for Seattle's Boeing Field. "I could hardly receive the Center," Malaspina said. "Then the center handed me to Boeing Tower and I noticed right directly in front of me NINE vertical lights on a COLLISION course.

"We were closing fast. I said, 'this is a military formation'; and I turned right. These nine lights made a right oblique turn instantly. You're not supposed to turn without directions from the tower, but I turned. Just two seconds later, I looked over my shoulder to see where this formation was going and I saw it right over the southern tip of Green Lake (just west of the University of Washington in Seattle). "Well, FOUR ROCKETS WERE FIRED FROM THESE OBJECTS, AND THEY WERE NOT FLARES, THEY WERE ROCKETS. (Caps mine - JW) "Three of them hit southeast of Green Lake and one of them hit the southern tip of Green Lake. I got on the radio and told the (Boeing Field) tower: "There's a military formation dropping rockets!" They said they had no knowledge of any military formation in the area whatsoever."

By then, Malaspina was at 3,000 ft. and estimated the red lights to be at 7,000 or 8,000 ft. He heard another private pilot report from 6,000 ft. that the objects appeared to be from 8,000 to 10,000 ft. above Seattle. "They were definitely aircraft," Malaspina said. "I wouldn't believe it myself but I saw it -- and figure this. My magnetic compass was reading 300 degrees when I made my landing at Boeing and it should have read 130 degrees. And my clock in the plane STOPPED at 10:35 PM." There were reports pranksters had attached lighted railroad flares to balloons and sent them aloft. SEATTLE POLICE ACCEPTED THIS...

I feel that it is NOT necessary to point out that flares do NOT make oblique right turns, vertically accelerate or maneuver. The point that MUST be brought out is that the CRAFTS - WHATEVER THEY WERE - FIRED ROCKETS. THIS IS TATAMOUNT TO DECLARING A STATE OF SEIGE... WHEN ARE WE RESEARCHERS IN THIS FIELD GOING TO LEARN THAT THEORIES ARE FINE -SOMETIMES - BUT THAT WE MUST LEAVE THEORETICAL RESEARCH - AND START DOING SOME ACTUAL RESEARCH INTO JUST WHAT IS GOING ON IN OUR SKIES? WHEN ARE WE GOING TO STOP EXAMINING OLD REPORTS - AND START LOOKING INTO THE NEW ONES, WHICH ARE EXHIBITING A PATTERN NEVER BEFORE KNOWN TO US???? DO NOT BECOME BOGGED DOWN WITH YESTERDAY'S MADNESS --TODAY'S MADNESS IS SUFFICIENT! Are we going to just sit by and watch our country fired upon? OR DO WE HAVE THE GUTS TO FACT THE FACTS????? ALL CONCERNED HAD BETTER FIND THE ANSWER TO THAT.....

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WEIRD DATA -- DATELINE - June -- 1967 -- Thompson, Manitoba, Canada -
 ... Mrs. LeMarquands had just entered the house when she heard a beeping noise at about one second intervals. Looking out the window, she saw dirt and debris moving rapidly around the house in a circular pattern. Upon going outside, she saw her husband, who had just driven into the yard. He and the five children were staring up into the sky. At first only dust and dirt, moving in a vortex, could be seen, but then Mrs. LeMarquands was able to see the object causing the disturbance. She described the object as being large and shaped much like a package of cigarettes. (although she later commented that it might have been cube-shaped). It was revolving counter-clockwise and it appeared to have alternating shiny aluminum and then black sides as it moved. It had no apparent openings or lights, and it was now dead silent.

As she watched the object, Mrs. LeMarquands was distracted by a scuffling sound, and she looked to the ground to see a thirteen year old boy, from across the street, pinning down her eight year old daughter. At this time the object started moving off at a 45 degree angle, leveled off, hovered, and then left on a level course towards the southeast. Mrs. LeMarquands attention was then drawn toward the children, all of whom were visibly shaken, except for her eight year old daughter. The whirlwind had stopped and the little girl was now standing by herself. The other children were eventually sufficiently calm in order to say that their eight year old palymate had risen into the air towards the slowly revolving object. The 13 year old boy had grabbed her when she was about 3 ft. off the ground. The children reported that the little girl's skirt, blouse, and hair had ridden straight up her body when she was rising. When asked if she could remember anything, the girl replied that she could remember nothing from the instant the wind started until she stood up... CREDIT AND SOURCE: CAPRO - PO Box 1316 Winnipeg 1, Manitoba, Canada...

REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: SAUCER SCOOP CANADIAN OFFICE: Mr. Peter Matthews
 JAN. 25, 1968 - Students snap photo of UFO at Sudbury - SUDBURY (CP) A disc - shaped white light in the sky was seen and photographed near Laurentian University. ... boys said the object seemed to hover over Nepahwin Lake for about 4 minutes...
 UFO SPOTTED TWICE OVER LONDON AREA - LONDON, ONTARIO (CP) - FEB. 26, 1968
 MARCH 9, 1968 - "K W Man thinks he has pictures of strange UFO" - A Kitchener man has taken six pictures of flights in peculiar formation that he believes may have come from a ufo... they moved around the sky in all four directions for about 30 minutes before disappearing...
 MARCH 15, 1968 - "Boys sight 'saucer' with Beep, lights"... A large, round object hovered over a hilltop in northeast Kitchener and gave off a beeping sound as it's red lights flashed...." "momemts later, a door opened on the under edge of the saucer, and a tear-drop - shaped object began to descend...then an opening appeared in it and a third object dropped to the hilltop, as the first two sped out of sight..."
 MARCH 28, 1968 - Nine children say they saw a saucer-like object with white lights along one side hover over houses on MacKay Crescent in Waterloo...then speed away.
 SCOOPNOTE: Additional details and source may be obtained by writing Director Peter Matthews - 415 Dupont Street - Toronto 4 - Ontario, Canada -

NAPIER, NEW ZEALAND - JUNE 6, 1968 - A Napier woman who lives in Vigor Brown Street, last night saw a bright red object in the sky over Hospital Hill... it appeared at intermittent intensities, it shot off bright clear flashes every 25 to 30 seconds... it was very bright and very low in the sky...it stayed in the sky until 11:20 Pm. (appeared 10:45 Pm).....

NZPA - TAURANGA -- JUNE 8, 1968 - The progress of an unidentified flying object was tracked by Department of Civil Aviation radar observers in Auckland from Waihi almost as far south as Tauranga on Thursday night. The object was then seen at 5:05 Pm by two Tauranga Aero Club members, who prefer to remain anonymous, south-east of the Tauranga airport. They observed a "long white cigar-shaped object" for a few minutes before it disappeared to the south-east./... While it was being tracked by radar the blip moved from Waihi to Turanga at between 80 and 100 knots... CREDIT: The Hon. William Moser, J.P. - Director - SAUCER SCOOP Australian Branch. 19 Hurlstone Ave. Hurlstone Park, NSW 2193 - Sydney...

SCOOPNOTE: On June 8th to 10th, 1968, the majority of the Australian UFO-SOCIETIES attended a meeting in Canberra. Saturday was devoted to the Public, four sessions in various halls were open sessions, the attendance varied from 150 to 250... There was an exhibition showing a number of UFO Photos from all over the world and a selection of UFO magazines, numbering fifty on view... The exhibition was visited by nearly 3,000 persons and held in the mall of a shopping block... Eleven of the fourteen Australian UFO SOCIETIES with a combined membership of close to 2,000 members. Main items on the agenda were a much closer look co-operation between the societies in exchanging information and defining the areas of activity which will embrace the area of each Australian state for the six main societies... It is interesting to note that the Australian Societies date back to 1950/51 -- thus making them certainly some of the oldest in the world.

SCOOPCOOP: The first NORTH AMERICAN CONFERENCE ON UFO'S was held at THE INN, Chippawa -- James Sipprell, of Buffalo, (upstate NY co-ordinator for NICAP) predicted the American people would panic if the United States Air Force admitted that UFOs have their origins in outer space... Lee Ketchan, an atmospheric physicist with NASA in Florida, said it is likely that UFOs are "extra-terrestrial probes" guided by "a more advanced intelligence" than man's... A poll of 15 invited delegates - scientists, researchers and writers - showed that only a few of them were prepared to say publicly that they believe that UFOs come from outer space. Most just said they believe in UFOs... William Weitzel, president of the UFO Research Institute at Pittsburg, said UFOs are considered as data that is not valid... Brad Steiger, a leading author in the UFO Field, said the Air Force often claims that UFOs don't show up on radar. Mr. Steiger said he had a notarized statement from the commanding officer of one of the largest air bases in the U.S. in which the officer says he tracked a squadron of UFOs on base and airborne radar and then flew among the UFOs...Mr. Steiger said it was his experience that the more educated a person was, the more readily he believed in UFOs. The author-researcher said also that some people have created a UFO cult... Also - that in many cases where UFOs have been sighted, persons posing as NORAD or USAF officers have arrived on the scene and confiscated films and told the people reporting the UFOs that they should not talk about it... - An in-depth report of the remainder of the meeting will be aired in a forthcoming issue... SOURCE: The Niagara Falls Evening Review - June 8, 1968 (Ontario, Canada) Mr. Steiger was in Canada for two weeks taping up-coming radio and tv programs concerning his researching into the UFO Field and related fields such as ESP. He also met with many Scoop Representatives and friends within Canada. *****

FEB. 21, 1968 - WINSTED OCCUPANT CASE - ... "It was about 11:00 PM when a "Bloop Bloop" sound attracted the young girl's attention to her bedroom window. Looking out the window, she reported seeing an egg-shaped object, a little larger than the size of a station wagon, hovering beside the old winsted Railroad station. (now used primarily to store dry-foods) A "ray of light" came out of the craft and "maybe 15 to 20 "men about 3 ft. tall walked in order down this ray and jumped to the ground (the beam didn't quite reach the ground). She reported the men as having fish bowl like heads and dressed in dull silver clothing. They proceeded in single file to climb up the side of the building, but, it was stated that the men did not float or fly up the building, but they spread or climbed with a hand-over hand movement. When they reached the roof they spread out in different directions. The girl became frightened at this point, and took sanctuary under the covers of her bed. SOURCE: APRO - Connecticut Sec.) Part of the way up the side of the RR station is brick. At the location where the figures had supposedly climbed, scratches and chips in the brick were evident, however, no marks were found in the wooden portion above this...
SCOOPSOURCE AND CREDIT: FLYING SAUCER OBSERVER - Mr. Donald Johnson - Sand Hill Road, Portland, Conn.

March 4, 1968 - "Dozens of people in the Louisville area and as far north as Indianapolis reported seeing an airborne, brightly lighted unidentified "cigar-shaped" object heading NE about 9:45 last night. Reports of similar sightings were made in Tennessee, and other parts of Kentucky... People in the Louisville area described the object as a long cluster of lights with a flame-like tail. Some said it was going very fast. Others said it moved slowly. Most reported it was noiseless. Some said the lights were red and blue. Among those sighting the object were an Indiana State Trooper near Sellersburg and a Louisville Police officer in Lyndon.

ENGLAND: March 31, 1968 - "GHOST TRAIN IN THE SKY" - Police are sending a report to the Ministry of Defence this weekend giving details of an unidentified flying object seen by two officers in a squad car. It was spotted as the police crew were driving in Union Street, Torquay, Devon, about 3:15 AM on Thursday. Supt. Harry Brooks, head of Torquay police, said yesterday: "This is something that cannot be dismissed out of hand. The officers, patrolmen Michael Kirby and Basil Warren, are very reliable and we questioned them closely. "They describe the object as being very like a railway carriage travelling across the sky and estimate that it was flying at about 150 ft. A line of illuminated portholes down one side was clearly visible. "The officers also say it was only in view for a few seconds, but was considerably larger than a Vulcan bomber." ...
CREDIT: Mr. A.K. Breast - 350 NE 54th. St. Miami, Fla.
SOURCE: 1) The LOUISVILLE CARRIER JOURNAL
SOURCE: 2) The EMPIRE NEWS

APRIL - SCOOPNOTE: The following report was sent to us thru a personal letter written by Jennifer Stevens, the Editor of SKYWATCH and the Director of EPIC. BOX 622, Schenectady, New York... - "In April, a schoolteacher took some fascinating photos from a plane quite near where Niagara Mohaw is building a new Atomic plant. Saucers were not seen until photos were developed and there they were, complete with shadows on the ground. Photo experts say "not faked". Plattsburgh AFB stated that they had been investigating reports in that area for about 2 months." -- Scoop wishes to thank her for the above report, and to urge our readers to obtain the SKYWATCH - it is most informative and quite interesting!

APRIL -- MAY, 1967 - (The witness for this report is an Officer who wishes to remain anonymous)... The incident took place in the Mediterranean and the Island of Sicily. The Officer was aboard the USS America (CVA 66) a combat attack vessel. He was on 7 level and had the 1200 to 1600 watch. The Combat Information Center (CIC) reported to him to keep watch for a fast moving object that the America and it's escort of four other ships had picked up on radar. The object supposedly was traveling between 45 and 55 mph which is fast for any surface vessel. The object came within two miles of the ships, however, even though visibility was 15 to 20 miles -- nothing was seen visibly... It seems quite strange that all five ships would simultaneously pick up such a fast moving temperature inversion... The Officer says he believes the object was written off as a radar ghost -- but states that "Five ships held the same thing!.....
CREDIT AND SOURCE: Mr. Stan Gordon - 81 Northmont St. Greensburg, Pa.....

FEBRUARY 14, 1968 -- UFO OBSERVED AT CLOSE RANGE IN MISSOURI - At 7 AM, an object of unknown origin was observed on the ground in a very rugged area of south-central Missouri. The following report is taken from a taped interview, and a copy has been sent to Dr. J. Allen Hynek... It was 7 AM and the sky was quite clear and bright; no stars were visible. The observer was walking towards a large barn located some 100 feet east of his house, when he noticed one of his cows looking out into a field behind the barn. He then observed the UFO on the ground some 335 ft. from him. At this point he was looking through several scattered trees. He moved to the NE corner of the barn and, up to this point, he thought the object was a parachute. On moving a few feet further, he saw several small "objects" moving under the UFO which was 285 ft. from him. The observer said the "objects" were moving quite rapidly; they seemed to have arms, also moving at a high rate of speed. It was the observer's opinion that these small objects were not human. They seemed to be about the same color as the UFO, with no visible neck, head, or legs; however - he was some distance away and the objects seemed to be about two and a half ft. tall. The UFO was setting on a shaft only slightly taller than the objects. The observer started through the first fence, at this point 210 ft. from the UFO the small objects started moving around behind the shaft and entering it on the side away from him.

"As I came through the first gate, I picked up two rocks, pretty good size, one of them was. I got up there to about 30 ft. from it and it was setting there, kind of rocking slightly. The wind was blowing out of the east, and I thought, 'Boy, here goes, I'm going to knock a hole in that thing and see what the hell it is!' I cut down on it, and the rock stopped along about 15 ft. from it and just hit the ground. The next rock I thought I would throw on top of it and it just hit something and bounced." I, (the writer) then asked the observer if he could hear any sound. He said he could not. He said that he could see no seams or rivets. "It just looked like a big shell, a grayish-green looking outfit, and underneath it were these oblong holes where the lights were coming out. They were so bright you couldn't see when you got up there. I thought I was going right up to it. I got up to about here" (about 15 ft. from the ufo)" and there it was -- I just walked up against a wall! I couldn't see it at all, there was just a pressure." "When it took off, it just rocked back and moved real fast to the left of that ridge. It made no sound at all and disappeared in seconds. The shaft was pulled up into it as it took off. The ground was real muddy, but it didn't leave any marks at all."...

CREDIT: SKYLOOK - Box 129, Stover, Mo. Editor: Mrs. Norma E. Short
REPORTER: Ted Phillips, Jr. 1113 Ware Avenue, Sedalia, Mo...

MAY 2, 1968 - MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA - The Royal Australian Air Force is probing a mystery sighting on a lonely road in Eastern Victoria. Heyfield sanitary collectors saw a string of red lights. Said Gavin Whelan: "we got up on the truck's hood and saw it was an object in a paddock. It had a row of red lights and a dome with a light on." CREDIT: Mr. George Fawcett - PO Box 298 - Deland, Fla.

EXCLUSIVE: Report sent in to us by Capt. Robert Loftin - Tulsa, Oklahoma, the author of the new book "IDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS" - "It (the report) originated at the Oklahoma State Patrol Communications Center, at Edmond, Okla. It was broadcast in Tulsa, on the 6 PM newscast, 5/20/68, by Station KVOO - Tv - Ch. 2."

"An unidentified flying object has caused a motorcycle rider to overturn and crash about two miles east of CLINTON, OKLAHOMA, on the old US 66 in Custer County. The victim, identified as 15 year old Albert Harris of Clinton, told State Troopers that he was cresting a hill, when the unidentified object suddenly appeared, on a collision course with the motorcycle. Harris swerved to avoid hitting the mystery object, and the motorcycle overturned. The youth was hurled from the machine and skidded 116 feet before he was stopped by an embankment. Attendants at OKLAHOMA GENERAL HOSPITAL in Clinton say Harris is being treated for severe abrasions of the head and body... And also for internal injuries. State Troopers say there has been no sign of the unidentified flying object, nor any trace of its presence at the crash scene." CREDIT ADDRESS: 4 East 51st. Pl. Tulsa, Oklahoma.

MAY 29, 1968 - According to the Organization DISCAP - 9028 Utica Ave. Evergreen Park, Illinois - UFOs have "swamped" the Chicago area again, Northern and Southern suburbs alike have witnessed the arrival of discshaped objects displaying remarkable maneuverability... For further details please write above address...

MAY 30, 1968 - SOURCE: The DEMOCRAT and CHRONICLE - ROCHESTER, NEW YORK - "UFO INVESTIGATION FIRM ACCUSED OF DEFRAUDING" - ITHACA (AP) Aerial Investigations and Research of White Plains, a firm specializing in the investigation of unidentified flying objects, has been charged with fraud by a state agency. The charges against the firm and its president, William Donovan, stem from alleged activities during an investigation in this area last year of reported sightings of flying saucers. The state claimed that the firm had charged admission to lectures and had collected \$5 membership fees from persons who later received only one newsletter for their money." CREDIT: M. Zimmerman - Marcellus, New York -

SPECIAL TAPED AND INTERVIEWED REPORT: CREDIT: Mr. Gerald Volhard - SAUCER SCOOP BRANCH OFFICE DIRECTOR - 1808 Thomas St. Wausau, Wisconsin - 4 IN COUNTY SEE STRANGE FLYING OBJECT - Three members of the John Duberstein family, Mosinee, were still convinced today they had sighted an unidentified flying object near their home. (MAY 29, 1968) ... Duberstein told deputies he was roused from sleep by a weird noise. At the same time Lynda met her father as she was leaving her bedroom. She said she saw a strange object in the yard. "I looked outside and saw this object climb straight up to a height of about 600 ft. It leveled off and zoomed away. It appeared to be a round object about 20 ft. wide with a WING attached. It was very bright and when it disappeared the noise also stopped." Lynda told officers the object was hovering about four ft. above the ground when she saw it from her window. She said it appeared to be landing, but suddenly it shot upwards and zoomed over the top of the house. Tom and Mike were on their way home. They said they heard a weird noise and observed a bright light. It was traveling southward. In describing the noise, Duberstein said it sounded like flying saucers sound on television...

REPORTS AND NOTES ON RECENT MEETINGS - CLEVELAND, OHIO - DELAND, FLORIDA

SCOOP'S first report by CAPT. ROBERT LOFTIN of Tulsa, Okla. Ufologist and Author

The 1968 Congress in Cleveland was orderly, "down to earth", and scientific. The most outstanding act was the unanimous vote to praise Dr. Condon by enacting an official resolution in one of the closed sessions. Allan Manak volunteered to write "our letter" to Dr. Condon and the suggested recipients, Dr. Condon has been informed of Manak's action in sending the requested letters and he is most grateful. I feel that his reaction to the Congress' kind words will be reflected in his final report. We estimate that the delegates at the Cleveland meeting represent over 60,000 ufologists. I accepted the resolution in Dr. Condon's behalf... SCOOP presents the highlights from the Resolution sent to Dr. Condon - space limits us at this time, however, further details, well documented, will be forthcoming... "The Fifth National Congress of Scientific Ufology in convention assembled at Cleveland, Ohio, on this 21st. day of June, 1968, has, by unanimous vote of those present, adopted the following resolution:

- (1) That Dr. Edward U. Condon is a distinguished scholar and a distinguished American.
- (2) That Dr. Condon has, by his unfailing good cheer and uniformly courteous consideration of those around him, made a valuable contribution to the progress of ufology.
- (3) That it is the sense of this Congress that Dr. Condon has been subjected to the unnecessary and unmerited burden of irresponsible personal vilification, which has needlessly complicated the already impressive challenge of his office.
- (4) That the leaders of the Congress appreciate Dr. Condon's apparent intention of full public disclosure in the conduct of his present investigation.

Therefore, it is the hope of the Congress that the close cooperation and mutually amicable relations between Dr. Condon and itself will remain in the future, as in the past, a source of constant encouragement --- a bright light on the horizon of tomorrow's ufology.....Respectfully submitted.....

Allen Greenfield --- Y. N. ibn Aharon, D.D. --- Allan J. Manak, Chairman - Rick R. Hilberg, Co-Chairman --- Gray Barker --- James W. Moseley ---

MEMBERS: PERMANENT ORGANIZING COMMITTEE... The above resolution was read from the stage of the Open Public meeting and was presented to me in your behalf...

Respectfully, Robert Loftin -- Early Warning Network Coordinator.....

COURTESY: UNITED AERIAL PHENOMENA AGENCY - PO BOX 9811, Cleveland, Ohio - 44142 -

FIRST MEETING HELD BY UFO STUDY GROUP IN FLORIDA: President Jim J. Freeder of Deland yesterday presided over the first meeting of the newly organized FLORIDA UFO STUDY GROUP, as enthusiasts heard guest speaker Mrs. Joan Whritenour, who spoke of the increased number of Florida sightings in April and May, and what has happened to many ufo eyewitnesses as a result of their encounters, and "face to face", and "mental contacts" with the operators of the 'saucers'. She said that "Ufo's are not a hobby, but a deadly serious game in which we are most likely to be the losers and not the winners." George D. Fawcett, the founder of the group, then showed slides and photographs which he has collected during his 20 some odd years of researching. He also told of recent hoaxes and gave up-to-the minute data concerning the University of Colorado probe. There were new members there from many sections of Florida - Miami, Sanford, Deland, Daytona Beach, St. Petersburg, Orlando and Sarasota. Mr. Fawcett reported that Florida sightings are on the increase, with over 200 since January, '68, and this trend is being repeated world-wide from the U.S.A. to England, Russia, Argentina, Japan and Canada included.

WRITE THE GROUP AT: PO BOX 1355, Deland, Fla. 32720 for additional information...

MYSTERIOUS 'PULSARS' WILL TALK TO TWO HEADED

** RADIO TELESCOPE **

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CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA.:

A government scientist disclosed tentative plans for a unique doubleheader radio telescope experiment which he said might have bearing on whether newly detected mysterious signals from space are coming from an advanced civilization. Dr. Kenneth Kellerman of the government's National Observatory, Green Bank, W.Va. reported 2 giant radio telescopes -- about 1,000 miles apart -- would be used. This setup would be the newest proposed attempt to help unravel the riddle of four newly discovered celestial objects called 'pulsars', which he said have astounded astronomers throughout the world. The telescopes -- one in the Puerto Rican mountains at Arecibo, the other at Green Bank -- would simultaneously and synchronously be trained on the 4 pulsating, radio-wave emitting sources, each estimated to be from 300 trillion and 1200 trillion miles from the earth.

The telescopes would be timed for synchronous snooping by an ingenious atomic clock, and this simultaneous, harmonized exploration by 2 widely separated instruments is expected to get the best information yet -- on the size and nature of the strange so-far invisible objects, Kellerman said. Hitherto, only single radio-telescopes, unharmonized on timing, have been employed in Great Britain and the U.S.A. to study the objects, discovered by British scientists and reported to the scientific world only late in February.

The doubleheader test is set for sometime in JUNE, Kellermann said. He disclosed plans for the experiment in an interview with the AP at the 126th meeting of the American Astronomical Society, being held at the U. of Virginia. While no normal scientific papers concerning 'pulsars' were on the prearranged program for the meeting itself, informal gatherings of attending scientists were abuzz with conversation and theories about them.

One scientist, Dr. A.C. W. Cameron of Yeshiva, University, New York told the reporter: "I'm just puzzled as hell!" Kellermann told the AP that, as he sees it, most radio astronomers in the U.S.A. believe the 'pulsars' probably are "neutron stars" -- objects that are presumed to be a form of wreckage from supernovae or exploding stars. BUT, he added, "it's probably fair to say, that all these scientists CONTINUE TO THINK, IN THEIR OWN MINDS, OF THE POSSIBILITY HOWEVER REMOTE, THAT THESE SIGNALS MAY BE ARTIFICIAL ONES PRODUCED AS A MEANS OF COMMUNICATION BY SOME ADVANCED CIVILIZATION..." This possibility has not yet been ruled out, although, on the other hand, there is no evidence as yet that the pulsars are not natural phenomena!

WASHINGTON -- UPI -- A satellite with extendable antennas as long as five football fields and as high as the Empire State Building will be orbited JULY 3, 68 to eavesdrop on mysterious radio signals from space.... It is the Radio Astronomy Explorer (RAE), 38th. in NASA'S Explorer spacecraft series and the first of two radio observatories scheduled by the agency. The second RAE will go up a year or so later. RAE'S mission is to make science's first map of low frequency radio signals coming from such various sources as the planet Jupiter and the multitude of galaxies far distant from the world's own star family, the MILKY WAY...

THE UFO NET BY WAYNE GREEN ***** W2nsd/1 A SCOOPSPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT
(ScoopNote: according to our special informant, Harry Hoffman, this Amateur
Radio Network is in effect and can be reached through the call letters - W2NSD/1 -
on Wednesdays - 0200 GMT - 7PM Calif. - 10 PM N Y - 14300 or 3950 on Thursdays....)

... Last month in my editorial, I suggested the organization of an amateur radio network for reporting UFO contacts. This idea has met with widespread enthusiasm, I am happy to report... Amateur radio, by virtue of its ubiquity, can make it possible for advanced warning to be forwarded of approaching UFO'S. This in turn can make it possible for pictures and scientific tests to be prepared, once the probable path of the UFO has been determined.

Amateurs who are interested in participating in this net should have an effective station set up on 80, 40 or 20 meters, and I suggest the frequencies of 3900, 7250 and 14,250 kHz. The next step is to alert the local police that you are participating in the UFO network so that they will know to call you if anything is reported to their department. Then you should get in touch with every user of mobile radio in your vicinity and give them your phone number so they can notify you in case of a sighting...

The UFO NETWORK will be rather informal at first. There are at present no fixed plans or net control stations. We are interested in hearing from operators situated around the middle of the country who have very good signals and who have the interest and time available to help establish nets on the three major bands/ in time I believe we will have a net that can be alerted anytime of the day or night, possibly with an alerting tone system. During the early phase of the net I suggest that we get together at 0000 GMT and discuss organization and plans.

The plans for the net have been discussed with the University of Colorado UFO investigation project of the Air Force and mutual cooperation has been assured. NICAP is also interested in our project and has promised cooperation... The NET is also tied in with the 24-hour a day reporting system set up by Franklin Pierce College in Rindge, New Hampshire...

... If we set up our network so that we get immediate reports from every possible source in our communities, we will have made a major contribution to our country. And this sensitive detection system would work two ways. It would report anything spotted to the amateur radio network... and the network would report to the "eyes" of the community when anything was heading that direction, alerting hundreds or even thousands of people to be on the watch.

... During the establishment of the net it might be of interest to those gathered to review some of the books and magazine articles on UFOs. While some of them are rather obviously far out, others make every attempt to report only carefully checked facts... I would like to hear from operators interested in acting as net control... I will call in whenever I can, but I pretty much work the clock around here at 73 and my air time is sadly scanty. With the backing of 73 I hope that we can get enough operators interested so that we will have a good solid network going. I will be glad to publish reports in 73 of the progress of the NET, and its accomplishments... 73 Magazine - Peterborough, N.H. - 03458 -
WAYNE GREEN -- PUBLISHER -- KAYLA BLOOM - WIEMV - EDITOR -----

WARNING : THE RELIABILITY OF NATIONAL TABLOIDS BY JOHN A. KEEL

All UFO researchers should be extremely wary of the reports being published in national weekly tabloids. These newspapers have discovered that UFO headlines sell newspapers and so they are inclined to invent sensational stories which have absolutely no basis in fact.

Some of these disreputable journals hire free-lance writers and out-of-work newspapermen by the day (paying about \$30 a day). They hand the writer a batch of photographs from their files and ask him to create a story to go with them. False captions are attached to the photos and totally fabricated stories are produced, filled with non-existent names, dates, and impressive but completely false "documentation". This practice has been prevalent in the tabloid field for many years and usually you will find very fine print somewhere in the newspaper stating that, "All photos posed by professional models; names and places have been changed." This is simply to cover up the fiction which is presented as fact.

For example, a year or two ago one tabloid presented a lengthy cover story garnished with striking nude photos of a beautiful model. The story concerned her alleged abduction and rape by a group of little men from a flying saucer. It was set in Michigan and was written shortly after SAGA magazine published the details of the Antonio Villas Boas case in Brazil. Last spring Lt. Col. George Freeman, then the Project Blue Book spokesman, told me that a large part of their mail consisted of queries about that "Michigan rape case" and about the "little men" who were allegedly preserved in bottles somewhere at Wright-Patterson.

Another tabloid had published a story about a girl on the west coast who was "raped" by UFO-nauts and who had given birth to a weirdly misshapen baby. A photo of "the baby" was published with the story. Actually, that malformed baby picture goes back several years and has been published many times in stories about freaks, birth defects, etc.

In February there appeared a cover story titled "COUPLE KILLED BY FLYING SAUCER". This piece contained photos very familiar to most UFO researchers with false captions. The article was written by a very well known New York humorist, one-time editor of a satirical journal and a frequent contributor to "Hippie" newspapers. All the names, dates, etc. in the article were fictitious.

The only tabloid which does a responsible job of presenting UFO information is the NATIONAL ENQUIRER. Their staff is well versed in the subject and well-known newspapermen, such as the late Damon Runyon, Jr. are frequent contributors although they usually use a pseudonyms.

Be very wary of any UFO story published in many of these tabloids (with the exception of the ENQUIRER), particularly if they are set in a foreign locale. You will find that the scientists, police officers, etc. named in these pieces don't even exist. The famous "crashed saucer" of Spitzbergen was actually this kind of a hoax created by a similar European tabloid in the early 1950's.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Fellow Correspondent: I have upon some time decided to step down in the UFO field. This is because of the time involved and also money. Plans that have been made are now void, excepting a few ufo groups with which I shall continue. I intend to stay in the ufo field as a private investigator... SIGNED: Kurt Glemser. DATE - June 14, 1968 ..

... This letter is being written to you as an explanation of why I haven't been corresponding lately. I've recently decided to close down my organization (AOSUAP) and get out of UFO research altogether. I made this decision because of personal problems... It was nice corresponding with you, and I appreciate your kindness in sending me issues of SAUCER SCOOP. Please do not forward these from this time on, as I have no use for them anymore... SIGNED: Ronald Calais. DATE - June 19...

... This letter is to inform you that the UFO Research Group, after much deliberation, has decided to disband. We have reached this decision for quite a variety of reasons... UFORG is no more and therefore we can no longer acknowledge inquiries addressed to the club itself, although I shall be happy to answer any mail specifically addressed to me. SIGNED: Bob Tarte - DATE- June 720 Dorroll St. - Grand Rapids, Mich...

SCOOPNOTE: As to the above letters --- To Each His Own and To Thine Own Self Be True... *****

Dear Friends: Contrary to my letter of June 17th, I have decided to cancel my intended plans to represent NICAP in the Toronto area. After receiving a letter from Gordon Lore, stating NICAP'S policy regarding what I can and cannot do and whom I can and cannot acquaint with, I decided that I can do without their type of dictatorship and so stated to Mr. Lore in my return letter... I sincerely hope the above statements

have cleared up my position. As an independent researcher, I will have no one dictating policy to me on whom I might and might not corresponde with. I there by hope to be hearing from you all in the very near future. Until then, I remain, Yours Truly SIGNED: Allan K. Vezina - Director: IUFOB Canada - SAUCER SCOOP Advisor --

J.W. SAYS: At the risk of getting out my old moldy SCOOPSOAPBOX - and really letting go with an unlady-like blast at certain dictatorial policies being carried bout by some national UFO groups - not just NICAP- I shall keep my cool! HOWEVER - ! I am quite proud to say that many of SCOOPcorrespondents and friends had been told either to DROP all connections with SCOOP - or drop all connections with the OTHER group. As for being proud -- SCOOPfriends remained SCOOPFRIENDS... All that these type of machinations accomplish is to put the person in the middle on the defensive - and NO ONE cares to be dictated to - or told with whom he can associate. Therefore - this type of ultimatum flat fell on it's collective face! Leaving a good portion of egg remaining on the face that tried to do the dictating. I also will say that I, personally, do not feel any hostility towards these groups - I feel only pity- Insofar as they cannot seem to be able to stand the competition. It is an admission of FAILURE when you have to FORCE LOYALTY.... Loyalty is given by mutual admiration and respect ----- NOT FEAR... If I had to FORCE someone to be LOYAL - I would immediately DISTRUST them... SCOOP will always continue in it's stated policy to print all information pertaining to the UFO Field REGARDLESS of any organizational affiliations.... We have carried this policy thru Vol. 1 to Vol. 3 - No. 5 ad infinitum..... Perhaps this is ad nauseum to some -- but this is OUR POLICY - to give the opportunity to express their viewpoints.. THIS SPACE IS OPEN TO REBUTTAL _ USE IT.

A SILICONE MONSTER ???

(Re-printed from: PHENOMENA Magazine - Mr. A. Laprade - Editor -
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..... SOMEWHERE IN ANTARCTICA. THE YEAR ... 1966. MISSION.... SCIENTIFIC... FACT ... OR... FICTION? There were five men in the expedition, whose mission it was, to gather new scientific 'data' about the barren coast - of Antarctica. They were to check an area of about one-hundred miles square for unusual mineral deposits. All of the men in the party knew the job would be a difficult one, but they never realized what a hell-hole the place really was until they got there.

The worst thing about this freezing glacier wasn't the 50 below zero temperature, that made the breathing a supreme physical and mental effort. - It was the wind. The wind rushing down at them out of the polar ice-palace - was their despised enemy. It was a raw current that knifed through their bodies, the heavy fur parkas and into their bones. - It whistled and tore along the coast at speeds of 70 to 80 miles an hour. They thought they were as miserable as it was possible to be and still live. All four of them seemed to always be cold, shivering and miserable. - They hated the land and the forces of nature that made survival a constant struggle. But it was to get much worse. On the second day they were out, stamping and slapping themselves to keep the blood from lumping together in their veins, they made a fascinating discovery. Bjornsen, the leader of the group, spotted it first. SILICA, the principle ingredient of glass and sand, was all over the place. Later, they found gold deposits, but these were quite sparse and they did not seem to be commercially useful in value.

CIGAR SHAPED OBJECT WATCHES THE CREW -- The thermometer was dropping rapidly when the first of the UFOs was spotted. It was a shining cigar-shaped object that hovered over a point, two or three hundred yards from where they had made camp. Huge and reddish-colored, with two running lights on its lower surface, the weird visitor, from who knows where, seemed to be watching them. Bjornsen ordered all of his men back into the camp and issued weapons. Then he used their radio to send a message out, but he had no real hope it would ever be received. It was the time of peak radio interference. As they peered at their newest menace, a second object, this one really disc-shaped, suddenly and silently glided out of the graying dusk and joined the first in watching the now terrified crew. As soon as the cigar-shaped intruder was met by the disc-shaped thing, the men felt something was about to happen. Bjornsen told the men to spread out. They waited, expecting what?? They did not know!!

FLASHING ENERGY BEAM MELTS ICE -- Suddenly A beam of violet fire shot out from the oblong craft! It was making an intense, whirring noise ... like a dynamo generating electrical current. The noise was so high-pitched and loud that it drowned out the fierce howling of the arctic wind. The flashing energy beam struck again and again, in the ground ice that surrounded the camp. It melted the ice, and penetrated through the glacier itself, right down to the ground. It had taken the men hours of high-speed drilling to do the same thing. Each place where the violet beams hit, a kind of wind devil appeared. Small dusty whirlwinds composed of ice and fusing silicates sprang to life. They spat out purple flames and made grotesque hissing noises as they rose rapidly into the darkness. His hands trembling, almost uncontrollably, Bjornsen examined the ice devils with his night glasses while they twisted ... in a fantastic dance of evil energy...

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They sparkled and gleamed... as they whirled around. They all seemed to be moving toward a central whirlwind that quickly grew in intensity, drawing the others into itself. "Fendleson, Svenburg, Johnson ...come with me and bring your rifles!" -- shouted the captain. The four men started to run over the ice and snow, toward the frightening spectacle, in front of them. As they got closer, they saw that all of the whirlwinds had fused together into an immense ice wind that... crackled and moaned, or groaned, as though some un-earthly power was torturing these things into an existence; not really of their own. They could see violet sparks of 'fire' bursting briefly to 'life' and then, disappearing. The ice whirl was dancing more and more violently.

A DEMON IS BORN -- The men stopped, about fifty yards from the whirlwind, now more than 25 feet high. Inside of it they could see that huge structures like atoms or solar systems were forming and uniting. -- It grew larger and its erratic violence got worse. "It looks like a demon being born," muttered Fendelsen, a tall Norwegian who had never betrayed fear of anything before. "It looks more like a world; a hell growing up before our eyes," cried Bjornsen. The whirlwind now looked more like a giant cloud of fire and ice and sand. Tentacles of the glittering stuff began oozing out in their direction.

DEMON ATTACKS -- The smoking jets of flame and fusing ice, came toward them, gleaming with a strange iridescence in the polar darkness as the wind grew in force, and the temperature became surprisingly warmer. -- The snow was beginning to melt around them as the icy hands of the cloud demon reached out -- after them. Rooted to the spot, they were powerless to move. Suddenly... Svenburg whirled around, and fired five bullets from his rifle. The slugs exploded with small blasts as they touched the cloud substance. Then a glowing claw of the ice thing touched Johnson.

THE DEMON KILLS -- It was awful... He simply decomposed into a small melted lump of human tissue. The other men dropped their rifles and ran for the shelter of their huts, panting with terror.... With a vast sighing... the cloudy force began to subside. It merely seemed to run down like some wind-up toy. The violet sparks and atom-like structures faded away and soon ...there was only a small whirlwind tossing restlessly about the edges of the camp. Then...it too faded, leaving only the dead man's melted corpse, and the shrill moaning of the polar wind. Bjornsen shook his head, and spoke: "I think it was a lesson not to come here...they don't want us here...and they gave us a lesson."

SUPERNATURAL ? -- He tried to explain the awful events to his men. "It wasn't 'supernatural'," he told them. "I think the disc managed to create some kind of half-life out of the 'silicon' and ice field. You know that silicon is the only element besides carbon that can combine with other elements, to produce organisms. -- I think their ray touched off a chain-life reaction in that ice thing. -- Like explorers trying to fool some natives with cheap palour magic; it tried to frighten us so that we should never return."

DISC WILL PAY ! -- The captain's last words were almost shouts, as he shook his fist at the dark, somber sky overhead. "We will make them 'pay' for it," he shouted. -- "We will make them pay for Johnson's life. Someday we'll get them!" Any volunteers...?

The captain of the exploration party swore it was true, as did his men!
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"WHY MUST WE SUFFER FOR KNOWING THE TRUTH
ABOUT UFO'S ?

(Re-printed from the BSRA JOURNAL - May-June 1968 issue - Box 548, Vista, Calif.)
This is in the form of a letter written by one of the BSRA Associates.....

"Shortly before the Colorado UFO Flap, and almost immediately after the Alamosa incident (Snippy the Horse's death theoretically by an UFO) there were several strange incidents right in Las Vegas, New Mexico. During the weekend of Sept. 17, 1967, at 8:13 PM that same evening, there appeared in the Western direction a UFO with the same magnitude as Venus at full intensity. The UFO moved from West and traversed in direction to the North-east moving approx. 3-5 degrees velocity/second. The color of the object was an intense electric blue. There seemed to be a fuzzy 'haze' around the immediate exterior. Although the intensity of the light made it hard to determine the actual shape of the object, it was determined to be disc-shaped. One added note of concern: the object cast a bright reflection on shiny objects on the ground, as well as on the thin layer of clouds overhead. Later that evening (although probably coincidentally) there was a strong odor of burnt plastic along with the stench of iron-sulfide.

"On the Wednesday following, there occurred a more controversial sighting made by close to 100 fellow classmen as well as a few townspeople. At approx. 10:30, a formation of dim lighted objects passed from Northeast to West of Las Vegas. The speed of these objects surpassed the speed of any migrating fowl in the area. They were geometrically circular with no visible deviations. The approx. height was between 2550 and 4500 feet above the elevation of Las Vegas. The objects were visible at times below the lowest cloud layer, and beyond visibility when above the clouds. The cloud elevations were obtained by weather reports. There is little aircraft activity in the immediate vicinity of Las Vegas.

"A controversy was caused by threats to me and a few fellow students. The day immediately after this sighting I received a phone call from a friend who said that his life had been threatened if he so much as magnified the incident to higher authorities. He said I should refrain from doing the same. I did, for awhile anyway.

"A few weeks later, the exact date I don't remember, I was out riding with one of the town detectives on night police. We drove up into the mountains near Gallinas canyon for a view of the town. A light appeared in the sky. At first it didn't seem different from any aircraft. Then it moved erratically and reversed direction without circular deviation of known aircraft. It declined to the Eastern horizon near an old water tower, about five miles from us.

"We decided to take a chance and raced full speed in that direction. By the time we arrived there was a series of small brush fires near the tower. After extinguishing these we search the area for the culprit. There was a deserted ranch house nearby, with a wooden fence. On the other side of the fence was a sharp decline into another canyon. Upon reaching this fence we stopped to obtain our direction and radio in a report. Just as suddenly as you blink an eye it became terribly hot. The area immediately before us in the decline became blood red.

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At that moment an object about 50 to 75 feet in diameter shot straight up into the sky at fantastic speed. The object was blood red. After an intensive over-all search of the area we radioed in for official help.

CLASSIFIED TOP SECRET --- "The rest I cannot disclose because the investigation was kept official and gradually got into the hands of the Air Force. I tried to sleep it all off and forget it but later events almost caused me complete mental and physical breakdown. Not many will believe the rest of what I have to say, but it doesn't matter.

MYSTERIOUS BLACK BEDAN --- "Two days after the sighting I, too, received a phone call and a mild threat. I was told that I should keep all the information of the sighting to myself and forget the whole affair. The next day a stranger met me on the street on my way into town. He knew about everything of the sighting and even added information that confirmed some of my own research on Atlantology.

"About the sighting he made an open threat to keep my mouth quiet. I retorted that not many would believe me anyway. I made no mention of the cop who was with me at the time of the sighting but I thought of him. As though the stranger read my mind he immediately confirmed the cop's name and added that he had been warned. From what I later learned the cop lost his job and was later divorced by his wife. I will not disclose his name at the present time, without his permission. If I keep the rest of the story to myself it will result in a complete breakdown.

"Two days after the encounter with the stranger in a Las Vegas street, I was again walking downtown along the road. A black car came speeding in my direction. It veered over and almost hit me. I reported it to the nearest cop. He passed it off as a reckless driver, jumping the stop light. I was too angered and shaken to forget that car. The windows were not clear glass but tinted to a smoky color, making it impossible to see the occupants. The rear license plate did not register any state. It showed nothing but three exes (XXX). I might have passed this off as a form of Diplomatic or Government car if it hadn't been for those tinted windows.

"Toward the end of October, while having a cup of coffee at my favorite cafe, and discussing politics with a few Fraternity fellows, a shot broke the monotony of the smoke-filled room. The bullet came through the front window and slammed into the wall about an inch above my head. Had I not just bent over to sip my coffee ---! I still get nervous twitches thinking of it. But this didn't satisfy the strangers (I was beginning to suspect connections), a streak of bad luck and freak accidents terminated the faith of my best friends. After being bed-ridden for two weeks with pneumonia and failing in my studies, I began to take the hint.....

"Some of the words of the stranger keep running through my mind, a series of violent earthquakes all over the world, due to the breaking of the San Andreas fault in California, a shift in the earth's axis causing the polar ice to melt, and re-balance the land masses. This is nothing new but why do people have to suffer from knowing the truth about these things ????? What harm is there in sighting a UFO ????? BSRAssociate - R. G. -- New York

COUNTERMEASURES: M I B CASES

BY RICHARD S. HACK

Since the advent of the Albert K. Bender Mystery, and particularly the recent upsurge of reports of similar harrassment, UFO researchers have begun to suspect that this field of interest is beset with more obstacles than mere hoax can account for. However, to my knowledge, no one has attempted to deal with this situation on a practical level, other than to issue warnings of its existence.

It is the purpose of this article to examine certain aspects of this problem and suggest certain active or passive countermeasures for the individual researcher and for the organization...

THE CRANK CALL: The simplest form of harrassment - and possibly one of the most complex - is the use of the telephone. Most UFO researchers have reported numerous calls from crackpots and practical jokers. Some are just that - jokes. But others, such as the one reported by John Stuart are different. The callers may threaten, or simply perform meaningless acts, such as reading off numbers into the phone. In fact, the call may consist of merely a series of beeps or no sound at all. In any case, it is clearly hard to tell with whom you are dealing - a crank - or the MIB. The MIB are unanimously reported to have a monotone voice and stilted speech patterns. This, then, is one clue. Another is the quality of the call: the line may sound hollow, there may be no background sounds, or perhaps the voice comes across with unusual volume. These are clues which suggest the involvement of the MIB. The FREQUENCY of the calls may be a factor. Practical jokers are NOT noted for their staying power...

The most obvious defensive measure is an unlisted number. Unfortunately, for many people this is not practical, nor is leaving the phone off the hook. The most common solution is to call the police or the telephone company and attempt to have the calls traced... Other methods which have been used successfully include blowing a whistle into the instrument, inviting the caller to a meeting at which the police attend, and clicking the phone several times, then whispering, "This is the call I want traced, Officer!"...

The MIB, however, are clever, and the above methods may well be completely incapable of fending them off. In my view, the only two methods of dealing with MIB-originated phone harrassment is to threaten to tape the calls and notify other researchers (thus creating concrete evidence which the MIB will not wish to have in existence) - or - take out your phone. REMEMBER: NEVER give in to your caller by reacting emotionally or by giving out personal information. If you do, you are playing into the hands of your enemy, no matter who he is...

THE HOAX: Recently it has come to the attention of a number of researchers that attempts are being made to submit FALSE reports and manipulated UFO photos to various investigators and publications. This kind of thing can be very complicated, as witness recent cases in Texas, where hypnosis was employed to coach the witness... There are those who believe that such cases as the above represent an attempt by SOMEONE to throw the entire UFO subject, including it's investigators, into a bad light publicly. And it can happen to any of us, student AND researchers! The only means of defense is to investigate - and then investigate again! Investigate everything - and believe nothing! Careful interrogation and analysis is required in this field, perhaps more so than any other as there are parallels between UFO research and criminal investigation.

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I would advise that all UFO researchers obtain a textbook on criminology procedures, paying particular attention to sections dealing with crime scene investigation, interrogation of witnesses, crime photography, handling of physical evidence, and other sections in which the problems of police investigations closely resemble that of the UFO researcher.

The mere recording of a witness' report is not enough; it must be thoroughly sifted and shaken about to determine its veracity. Such procedures will drastically limit the number of successfully perpetrated hoaxes and of hysteria-bred reports, and the reliability of the actual sighters will be under less question, if the above course is followed religiously.

HOAXES which withstand this attack to a high degree and which evidence a great deal of planning, expense, and particularly CUNNING, may well mean the backing of the MIB. Such cases must be especially analyzed and torn apart for any scrap of intelligence which might give ufo research a lead as to the capabilities, purpose or nature of these beings.

... There have been several cases of intruders entering the homes and grounds of UFO researchers and saucer sighters. Automatic alarm systems linked to floodlights are an expensive, but efficient way of limiting these activities. There are systems which use sound waves in intricate patterns throughout the room which when disturbed by a moving object, touch off alarms. There are systems that cannot be tampered with without tripping an alarm - providing the tampering is NORMAL, such as clipping the wires.

Efforts should be made by all researchers to safeguard their files from intruders and accident. Numerous reports, notably that of a Florida researcher, concerning the destruction of important reports and photos, prove that the MIB will go to considerable lengths to undercut UFO research. Investigators should have copies made of important material and store the originals in a safe place, preferably away from the copies, such as in a safe deposit box or safe in another part of the house or even in the bank. Copiers like vending machines can be found in some libraries, and for a small fee reproductions may be made of letters, articles, etc. Furthermore, avoid discussing the location and nature of your UFO material, as well as current investigations - the government is not the only agency which can "bug" a conversation.

Such precautions may be totally ineffective against the MIB, but they will serve to keep the problem confined to that element, at any rate. If they are proven to be ineffective against the MIB, then we shall at least have one more bit of intelligence to add to our meager store. There are many other forms of harassment that are now plaguing research, but I shall leave them to a future article by someone who may know more about them than I. This effort is really rather superficial, for its primary purpose is only to alert those in the field to the forms of danger which are currently prevalent, and to suggest that something of a more extensive, practical nature can be devised to cope with this incredible situation, and to act as a guide for the beginners. If this work has achieved any portion of any one of these aims, then I shall be quite satisfied... I firmly believe it is about time that SOMEONE in the field achieves SOMETHING in this area of UFO research. WHO can be sure that it is not already too late???

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